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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN VIEWS ON ZAIRE DEVELOPMENTS

1. AFTER EMBOFFS GAVE DIRECTOR MFA AFRICAN DEPARTMENT
AHMED SIDQI INFO FROM LATEST SHABA SITREPS AND COPY OF
PD ON ZAIRE, SIDQI EXPRESSED GOE SATISFACTION WITH FRENCH
AND BELGIAN OPERATIONS IN SHABA. SIDQI ENDORSED U.S.
ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF FRENCH AND BELGIANS AND STATED
THAT EGYPTIAN EMBASSIES IN MODERATE AFRICAN STATES (E.G.
CAMEROON) HAD REPORTED FAVORABLE REACTION.

2. EGYPTIANS HAVE HEARD THAT BOTH GABON AND SENEGAL
CURRENTLY CONSIDERING DISPATCH OF TOKEN ELEMENTS TO
SHABA IN SUPPORT OF FRENCH AND BELGIANS TO DEMONSTRATE
ANTI-KATANGAN OPERATIONS NOT STRICTLY WESTERN UNDER-
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TAKING. GOE NOT CURRENTLY CONTEMPLATING ANY INVOLVEMENT
IN SHABA, EVEN SYMBOLIC, BUT EGYPTIAN MILITARY ATTACHE
KINSHASHA HAS BEEN QUERIED BY ZAIRE MILITARY CONCERNING
POSSIBILITY OF GOE PROVIDING SPARE PARTS FOR 120 MM
ARTILERY PIECES. GOE HAS NOT YET RECEIVED OFFICIAL
REQUEST FROM ZAIRE. IN VIEW OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN
SHABA, SIDQI GAVE IMPRESSION THAT, IF ZAIRE REQUEST

FORTHCOMING, GOE MAY MOVE TO MAKE SOME SPARE PARTS
AVAILABLE. MATTHEWS

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